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REMARKS

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1. Between 4 and 14 May 1953, only about 25 percent of the windows of the Flak Kaserne at Wismar were lighted after dusk. At daytime, little activity was observed in the billeting area. About 20 EM were daily engaged in athletics at the infantry section of the installation. At 11:30 a.m. on 8 May, 80 soldiers with black-bordered crimson epaulets marched to the Soviet war memorial on the Wischberg (hill) near Koepernitz valley. Up to 14 May, several amphibious cars drove daily from the Flak Kaserne toward Wismar. Four or 5 trucks loaded with filled barrels and boxes repeatedly roved from the installation toward the border and, in the afternoon, returned empty. Between 9 a.m. and noon on 7 May, a troop train carrying trucks with 82-mm mortars was unloaded at the Wismar freight station. The troops left toward Neubukow on Highway No 105. ¹
2. On 3 May, six trucks loaded with billeting equipment passed through Neukloster coming from the Warin - Wismar highway and proceeding toward Zuesow. Several other trucks with the same loading were observed on the following days. On 15 May, 3 trucks with beams and wooden boards and 12 tank trucks also drove toward Zuesow. a Soviet construction detail was stationed in low wooden buildings in the Zuesow forest. The detail included a truck depot which simultaneously supplied the Klein-Warin construction site. ²
3. Observations made at the Klein- Warin construction site indicated that the road branching off from the Warin - Wismar highway about 1.5 kilometer west of Klein-Warin and ending near Neumuehle was blocked. A 2 kilometers wide stretch in the woods on both sides of the road from the eastern perimeter of Klein-Warin to Neumuehle was guarded by patrols. On and after 28 April, Soviet soldiers almost daily unloaded concrete, broken stones and paving-stones at the Neukloster railroad station. The construction material was hauled by trucks to a woodyard on a sidetrack called Wariner Weiche (Warin switch). road construction material was also unloaded at Warin. Every morning, 15 trucks arrived at the woodyard from Buetzow. Each truck carried 20 convicts and a Soviet guard. At 6 p.m., the convicts and their guards were daily retransported to Buetzow. ²

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- 25X1 1. [] Comment. [] on 3 May 1953, most of the 288th
25X1 Gds Mtz Rifle Regt and 199th Gds Gun Arty Regt of the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div
probably moved to the border area of East Germany and/or to field exercises.
25X1 [] The present report rather definitely indicates that
the infantry regiment was employed at the border. Similar conclusions, however,
cannot yet be drawn on the artillery regiment which was observed with its
artillery equipment and possibly moved to field exercises.
- 25X1 2. [] Comment. The constructing of supply depots near Zuesow and Klein-Warin
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does not allow any definite interpretation as to the kind of installations to
be constructed.

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